

An example of a technical skills CV

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A University of Nottingham science graduate with research and laboratory experience, having analytical and practical laboratory skills. Looking to use these skills and experiences pursuing a career in research and development.

Education

2014 – present University of Nottingham
BSc (Hons) Biochemistry and Genetics

During my studies I developed a keen interest in research that combines microbiology and biotechnology and I received strong grades in these areas.

Modules included:

- Molecular biology, 62%
- Genetic engineering, 67%
- Biotechnology, 64%
- Bacterial Genes and Development, 61%

Independent research project: My laboratory-based microbiology project focused on *Apromiteo* bacteria. The report received a grade of 64%.

Technical skills:

Experienced in carrying out procedures such as:

- Immuno-flourescent techniques
- Microtome and cryo sectioning
- PCR
- Ultracentrifugation

Relevant Experience

July – November 2016 Internship
Veterinary Medicine and Science, University of Nottingham

During this laboratory based internship I completed a mini research project and produced a report providing evidence samples that were subsequently referenced in a scientific journal article published in *The Scientist*. My research necessitated use of various techniques such as:

- Double and triple immuno-fluorescence
- Microtome and cryo sectioning using mouse and chick tissue samples
- Agarose gel electrophoresis
- Titrations
- Phase-Contrast Microscopy
- Transmission Electron Microscopy
- Replica plating
- Bacterial culture
- Affinity chromatography
- Thin-layer chromatography

July 2015 Work shadowing opportunity
Institute of Genetics, QMC, Nottingham

Observed the work of Dr. Martin Goat in an embryology laboratory setting. During this opportunity I gained valuable insight into a professional laboratory environment and assisted postgraduate students to carry out technical tasks including:

- Sorting zebrafish for mating
- Collecting embryos and counting them under a microscope
- Administering fluorescent protein dye in transgenic strains of zebrafish

Anisha has included contact details without using the words: address, telephone number and email. This makes her cv look neat and uncluttered. presented.

Anisha has written a succinct, targeted personal profile and included her career aim which is related to the post she is applying for.

Anisha has made very effective use of their degree to show what relevant modules, grades, research and technical skills she has.

Anisha has put her most relevant experience first to the employer immediately sees it. You can add in any type of experience including work shadowing, part-time work and volunteering.

Additional Experience and Volunteering

November 2014 – February 2015

Volunteer – British Heart Foundation charity shop, Lincoln

- Organised collection of donations from local homes
- Sorted and presented stock for sale

November 2014 – March 2015

Shop Assistant – Topman, Nottingham

- Developed communication skills through advising customers
- Responsible for large amounts of cash and taking payments from customers

June 2014

Volunteer Support Worker – Lourdes, France

- Supported visitors to commune to maximise their experience
- Provided basic care for people of all ages and different levels of disability

June 2014

Volunteer Fundraiser – Red Nose Day, Nottingham

- Raised £1180 by selling stickers and cakes to fellow students

It's always good to quantify achievements where possible.

Additional Skills

- IT skills – competent user of Microsoft Office, Matlab and SPSS
- Full driving licence
- Fluent Urdu

If this was something required by the employer, Anisha could have been included earlier in the CV, maybe even in her personal profile.

Interests

Scholarly journals: subscribe to *New Scientist*, *The Scientist* and *Nature*

Competitive team sports: play weekly in a local five-a-side football team

Travel: Travelled independently to Thailand, Malaysia and Singapore giving me an appreciation of other cultures

Anisha describes briefly what she gained from her travels.

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